also holding onto the words of Martin Luther King Jr., "Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle." Project NOW's commitment to strengthening our communities does not go unnoticed and I look forward to seeing their continued work.

It is because of dedicated and selfless groups such as the Project NOW that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Project NOW on its 50th Anniversary and thank the organization for all of its service to the community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 6, 2018

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote on January 10, 2018 due to an

unforeseen delay. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: YES on Roll Call No. 10.

RECOGNIZING DONNIE McMASTER OF WESTVILLE, IL

## HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 6, 2018

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the exemplary community service of Donnie McMaster, a resident of Westville, IL.

Donnie is a Boy Scout in Troop 234 and for his Eagle Scout project he focused his attention on improving the lives of our local veterans. Cannon Place is an apartment where formerly homeless veterans and their families now reside. Donnie expanded the entertainment opportunities of the residents by building four cornhole sets, a board game set, and a

horseshoe pit. Donnie also added stepping stone walkways and fixed two flower beds. He then set walkways in mulch and bordered it with logs.

Donnie spent two months raising funds prior to starting the project, lining up local donors for the materials he used and raising money to cover the remaining parts of the planned improvements. His dedication and hard work means that today some of our veterans can spend time outside with their families enjoying the games and landscaping provided by this one individual.

Mr. Speaker, I want to acknowledge the efforts of Donnie McMaster to bring joy to our nation's veterans and congratulate him on completing his Eagle Scout Project. I wish Donnie success in all of his future endeavors.